

APPLY THE SKILLS

The Seafarer • The Wanderer • The Wife's Lament

1. **Analyze:** Choose one of the poems. Identify two images or details the poet uses to show his or her sadness or isolation.

2. **Literary Analysis:** Find two kennings in the poems. Explain what each kenning means.

3. **Literary Analysis:** Use the graphic organizer below to compare the lesson that each poem teaches about suffering.

Poem	Cause of Suffering	Insight Gained
"The Seafarer"	He feels like an outcast at home and at sea.	We are exiles on earth. Heaven is home.

4. **Reading Strategy:** Why is understanding a warrior's relationship to his lord important to appreciating "The Wanderer"?

5. **Reading Strategy:** How does understanding the position of Anglo-Saxon women help you understand "A Wife's Lament"?
